



# Kentucky Academic Course Code List

Pathway to Careers Courses  
without Certification

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The Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) initiated a course code project under the direction of Commissioner Pruitt in January 2017. The project ensures Kentucky is providing equitable opportunity and access to research-based student experiences that impact student success.

The results of the project include an alignment of core academic course codes to Kentucky Academic Standards. The standards aligned to the core academic course codes cannot be changed. The alignment serves as a guarantee to students across the Commonwealth that all students have equitable access to Kentucky Academic Standards. The project also provides an alignment to Kentucky's new Accountability System, 703 KAR 5:270, which measures opportunity and access provided to students across Kentucky.

The Kentucky Academic Course Code List contains a listing of course codes and descriptions along with certifications that fit the parameters for given courses. The content listed for a course cannot be changed; however, the grade range and population information listed for each course are not absolute and can vary slightly depending on the needs of the school and teacher certifications. Districts should choose the course that most closely represents the content in a given course. ***The description and content of a course are the determining factors in what should be selected.***

### Contact Information:

- Districts may contact [CourseCodes@education.ky.gov](mailto:CourseCodes@education.ky.gov) with questions pertaining to course codes, course content and course-standards alignment.
- Districts may contact the EPSB Division of Certification at (502) 564-4606 or [dcert@ky.gov](mailto:dcert@ky.gov) with question pertaining to certification.
- Districts may contact KHEAA at (502) 696-7397 or [kees@kheaa.com](mailto:kees@kheaa.com) with questions pertaining to KEES eligibility.

## HOW TO USE THIS DOCUMENT

This document contains a listing of course codes and descriptions along with certifications that fit the parameters for given courses. The grade range listed for each course are not absolute. Please choose the course that most closely represents the content in a given course.

### EXAMPLE

John Q Middle School had 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup> grade students taking a Visual Art course. This course would be linked to course number **500711: Visual Art – Comprehensive**, which shows a recommended grade range of 6 – 12.

Schools will link their courses on the Infinite Campus “Course Master” tab OR in the “Course” tab to courses listed in this document.

Schools may have created courses that are very unique in order to meet students’ needs. If a course does not meet the definition or content of one contained in this document, please use course number **909999: School Defined Course**, and define the correct content through the LEAD report.

The course code 909999 should be used in situations where a current course code does not exist and there are no existing Kentucky Academic Standards aligned to the course. Local Boards of Education should approve the use of a district's use of a 909999 course code *before* a district begins utilizing it within Infinite Campus. Please see the [Guiding Principles For Using Course Code 909999](#) for more information.

## CERTIFICATIONS

It is important to note that the certificates listed are the ones that fit ***ALL*** of the parameters for a specific course; there may be other certificates that can teach it with slightly more restrictive parameters.

Please take note of the following information from *The Kentucky Academic Standards* with regard to middle school courses that are offered for high school credit.

### High School Credit Earned in Middle School

It is expected that most students will earn high school credits during their high school years. However, local school districts may offer high school courses to middle level students if the following criteria are met:

- the content and the rigor of the course are the same as established in the *Kentucky Academic Standards*
- the students demonstrate mastery of the middle level content as specified in the *Kentucky Academic Standards*
- the district has criteria in place to make reasonable determination that the middle level student is capable of success in the high school course
- **the middle level course is taught by teachers with either secondary or middle level certification with appropriate content specialization**

Although middle level courses list the Provisional and Standard Elementary Certificates, Grades 1-8 as allowable under the parameters of these courses, they will not meet the above requirements for courses that are offered for high school credit.

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# **Pathway to Careers**

## **(320000)**

# Pathway to Careers - Pathway to Careers (320100)

Pathway to Careers is a program in career and technical education, which provides a continuum of career education experiences. Incorporated in the curriculum are basic concepts of human relations, life skills, overview of career clusters and work-based learning.

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## 320101 - Career Choices 6-8

**Grade Level:** 6 - 8

**Credits:** 0

**Description:** Career Choice is a program designed for middle school students and introduces them to a broad range of career opportunities in today's society. It includes assessment of student's aptitudes and abilities, interests and learning styles in order to assist them in identifying careers and planning a career path.

**Content:** Career Choices (Middle School)

**Population:** General

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## 320102 - Career Choices 9

**Grade Level:** 9 - 9

**Credits:** 1/2

**Description:** Career choice is a program in career and technical education designed for high school students and introduces them to a broad range of career opportunities in today's society. It includes assessment of student's aptitudes and abilities, interests and learning styles in order to assist them in identifying careers and planning a career path.

**Content:** Career Choices (Middle School)

**Population:** General

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## 320103 - Career Options-Level 1

**Grade Level:** 9 - 12

**Credits:** 1

**Description:** Career Options is a course in career and technical education at the secondary level focusing on orientation to careers. Course content includes orientation to 14 career clusters, employability skills self-management and work ethics. Opportunities are provided for development of problem solving, decision making and reasoning through school and work-based learning experience.

**Content:** Career Options (High School)

**Population:** General

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## 320104 - Career Networking-Level II

**Grade Level:** 10 - 12

**Credits:** 1

**Description:** Career Networking is a second level course in career and technical education and provides opportunities for exploration of career clusters with an in-depth focus on two or more clusters. The curriculum includes a continuum of employability and computer skills needed in the workplace. Opportunities are provided for students to participate in internships in cluster interest areas. Upon completion of the course, the students have an opportunity to select a career major.

**Content:** Career Options (High School)

**Population:** General

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## 320105 - Career Work Experience-Level III

**Grade Level:** 11 - 11

**Credits:** 3

**Description:** Career Work Experience is a course in career and technical education at the secondary level focusing on a cooperative work experience for students in 11th and 12th grades. This course includes a related class and cooperative work experience in business and industry. (Career and Technical Education (CTE) class.)

**Content:** Career Options (High School)

**Population:** General

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## 320106 - Career Work Experience-Level IV

**Grade Level:** 12 - 12

**Credits:** 3

**Description:** Career Work Experience is a course in career and technical education at the secondary level focusing on a cooperative work experience for students in 11th and 12th grades. This course includes a related class and cooperative work experience in business and industry. (Career and Technical Education (CTE) class.)

**Content:** Career Options (High School)

**Population:** General

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## 320107 - Special Topics in Pathway to Careers

**Grade Level:** 9 - 12

**Credits:** 1/2-1

**Description:** Instruction related to Pathway to Careers, but not included in program of studies

**Content:** Pathway to Careers

**Population:** General